

Blanche



EASTBURN.

Plain 55.

Lith. 40.

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HOW THE GATES CAME AJAR.

(SONG AND CHORUS.)

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Music by EASTBURN.

Andante.
Sva

PIANO.

Sva

1. 'Twas whispered one morn-ing in
2. "I hear my dear moth-er there
3. Then up a - rose Ma - ry the
4. "And this key for no fur - ther

Heav-en, How the lit - tle white an - gel May, Sat
weep - ing, She is lone - ly, she can - not see, A
Bles - sed, Sweet Ma - ry, the moth - er of Christ, Her
use - ing, To my bles - sed Son shall be giv'n, Said

ev - er be - side the por - tal, Sor - row - ing all the
glim - mer of light in the dark - ness, Where the gates clos'd af - ter
hand on the hand of the an - gel, She laid, and her touch suf -
Ma - ry the moth - er of Je - sus, Ten - der - est heart in

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day. How she said to the state - ly war-den, He of the gold - en
me; One gleam of the gold - en splen-dor, O, war-den, would shine so
fied. Then turned was the key in the por-tal, Fell ring-ing the gold - en
Heav'n, . . . Now nev - er a sad - eyed mother, But may catch the glo - ry a -

bar- O, an - gel, sweet an - gel I pray thee, Let the beau - ti - ful gates a -
far," But the an - gel he whispered "I dare not Let the beau - ti - ful gates a -
bar, And lo! in the lit - tle child's fin - gers, Stood the beau - ti - ful gates a -
far, Since safe in the Lord Christ's bo - som, Are the keys of the gates a -

jar; . . . On - ly a lit - tle I pray you, Let the heav - en - ly gates a - jar." . . .
jar; . . . Spoke low as he answered "I dare not, Let the heav - en - ly gates a - jar." . . .
jar; . . . And lo! in the child's an - gel fin - gers, Stood the heav - en - ly gates a - jar." . . .
jar; . . . Safe hid in the dear Christ's bo-som, And the gates for - ev - er a - jar. . . .

CHORUS

SOPR'O. "Oh an-gel, sweet angel, I pray you Let the beau-ti-ful gates a - jar, ...

ALTO. "Oh an-gel, sweet angel, I pray you Let the beau-ti-ful gates a - jar, ...

TENOR. "Oh an-gel, sweet angel, I pray you Let the beau-ti-ful gates a - jar, ...

BASS. "Oh an-gel, sweet angel, I pray you Let the beau-ti-ful gates a - jar, ...

PIANO. *pp*

Rit.

On - ly a lit - tle, I pray you, Let the beau - ti - ful gates a - jar.

On - ly a lit - tle, I pray you, Let the beau - ti - ful gates a - jar.

ril.

